

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 15, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** SB199 by Watson (Relating to the annual evaluation of water use by owners or operators of electric generating facilities.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would require electric generating facilities to submit a report to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) that evaluates facility water needs, including water source, consumptive water use, non-consumptive water use, and water reuse of a facility during the preceding year. The bill would take effect September 1, 2013, and it would expire on September 1, 2018.

It is assumed that any duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

A local government would be required to submit a report that evaluates the water use of an electric generating facility that it owns or operates. If the report would be done with in-house staff, the cost is not expected to be significant.

**Source Agencies:** 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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